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Kennebec River – Bath to Courthouse Point

NOAA Chart 13298

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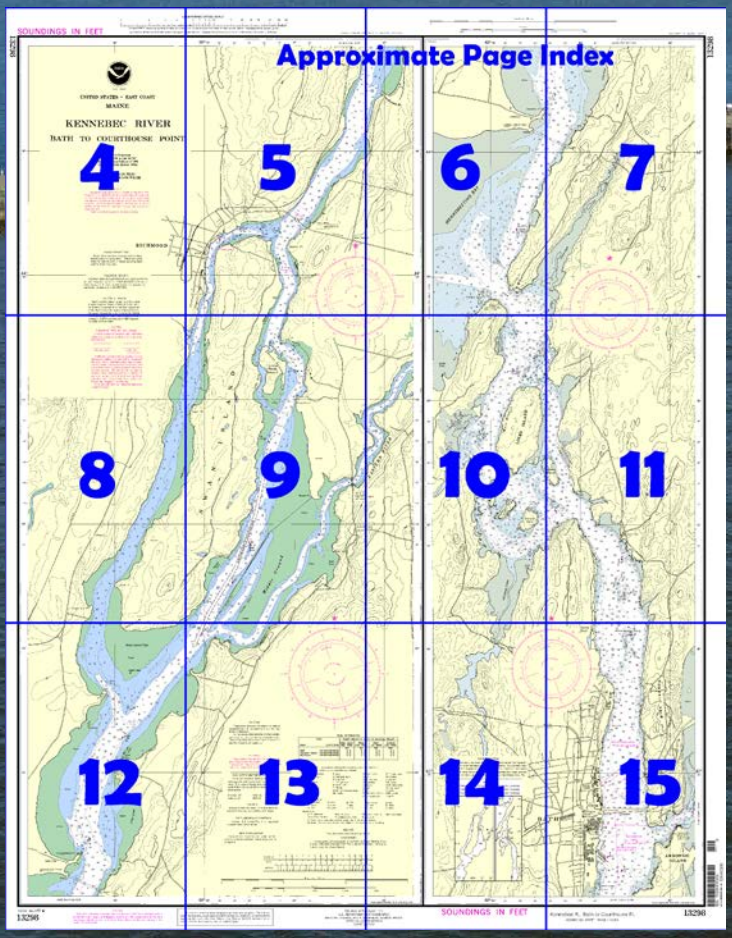

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What are Nautical Charts?

Nautical charts are a fundamental tool of marine navigation. They show water depths, obstructions, buoys, other aids to navigation, and much more. The information is shown in a way that promotes safe and efficient navigation. Chart carriage is mandatory on the commercial ships that carry America's commerce. They are also used on every Navy and Coast Guard ship, fishing and passenger vessels, and are widely carried by recreational boaters.

What is a BookletChart™?

This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

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This BookletChart does NOT fulfill chart carriage requirements for regulated commercial vessels under Titles 33 and 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Notice to Mariners Correction Status

This BookletChart has been updated for chart corrections published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency Weekly Notice to Mariners, and, where applicable, the Canadian Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. Additional chart corrections have been made by NOAA in advance of their publication in a Notice to Mariners. The last Notices to Mariners applied to this chart are listed in the Note at the bottom of page 7. Coast Pilot excerpts are not being corrected.

For latest Coast Pilot excerpt visit the Office of Coast Survey website at http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/nsd/searchbychart.php?chart=13298.

(Selected Excerpts from Coast Pilot)
The mouth of the **Kennebec River** is northward of Seguin Island and 20 miles eastward of the entrance of Portland Harbor. It is the approach to the cities of Bath, Augusta, Richmond, and Gardiner and smaller river towns. Waterborne commerce in the area consists mainly of traffic to and from the shipyard in Bath.
With the aid of the charts, small craft should have no trouble reaching Augusta, the head of navigation on the Kennebec River. Vessels with a draft approaching the depth of the channel should employ a pilot. The channel above Bath is reported to be subject to considerable changes annually caused by freshets.

The **Kennebec River Closed Area**, a Marine Protected Area (MPA), includes the waters of the Kennebec River north of Fort Popham.
Seguin Light (43°42'27"N., 69°45'29"W.), 180 feet above the water, shown from a 53-foot white brick tower connected to a dwelling, is on the summit of 145-foot **Seguin Island;** a sound signal is at the light.
Cape Small is the wooded point about 4 miles westward of the mouth of the river. The distinguishing marks are an elevated tank 1.4 miles northward from the end and visible from eastward or westward; **Bald Head,** a bare round knob on the west side of the point; and **Bald Head Ledge,** bare at half tide and marked by a bell buoy.
A **danger zone** of a naval aircraft practice mining range is close south-eastward of Cape Small and westward of Sequin Island. (See **334.20,** chapter 2, for limits and regulations.)
Fuller Rock Light (43°41'45"N., 69°50'01"W.), 39 feet above the water, is shown from a white skeleton tower with a red and white diamond-shaped daymark on a low bare islet of the same name, about 0.3 mile southward of Cape Small.
Pond Island, about 30 feet high, is a grassy island on the west side of the entrance to Kennebec River. **Pond Island Light** (43°44'24"N., 69°46'13"W.), 52 feet above the water, is shown from a white tower on the summit of the island; a sound signal is at the light. The light shows a higher intensity beam up and down the river.
Fort Popham Memorial is an unfinished and abandoned fort, now a State historical landmark, on Hunnewell Point. **Fort Popham Light** (43°45'18"N., 69°47'00"W.), 27 feet above the water, is shown from a cylindrical iron stand on the parapet of the old fort. The light shows higher intensity beams up and down the river.
Channels.–There are two approaches to the entrance. The eastern, east of Seguin Island, which leads between Whaleback Rock and Pond Island, is the main channel. The western, west of Seguin Island, leads between Pond Island Shoal gong buoy and the shoals eastward. Both are used, but vessels drawing more than 18 feet usually enter by the eastern channel. The entrance has strong tidal currents, and if the wind is opposed to the current an ugly chop sea is encountered which is at times dangerous for small craft.
(309) A Federal project in Kennebec River provides for a channel 27 feet deep, from the mouth to a point about 0.6 mile above the bridge at Bath, thence 16 to 18 feet to Gardiner, thence 11 feet to the head of navigation at Augusta. (See Notice to Mariners and the latest editions of the chart for controlling depths.)
Anchorages.–Large vessels awaiting the pilot may anchor safely in the vicinity of White Ledge Lighted Bell Buoy 1 (43°43'49"N., 69°44'54"W.), in 50 to 65 feet. Small craft may find suitable anchorage northwest of Hunnewell Point (43°45'17"N., 69°47'04"W.).
Farther upstream, anchorage is also available on the eastern side of the channel southward of Kennebec River Buoy 12, in 36 to 48 feet. On the eastern edge of the channel at the anchorage, the depths shoal abruptly from 30 feet to a few feet. Drift ice coming down the river generally follows the western shore.
Anchorage for small vessels can be had on the western side of the channel off Parker Flats, about 4 miles above the entrance, in 20 to 36 feet. Above Parker Flats, vessels anchor wherever they find good holding ground and suitable depth, keeping out of the strength of the current.
General anchorages are at Bath. (See **110.1 and 110.133,** chapter 2, for limits and regulations.)

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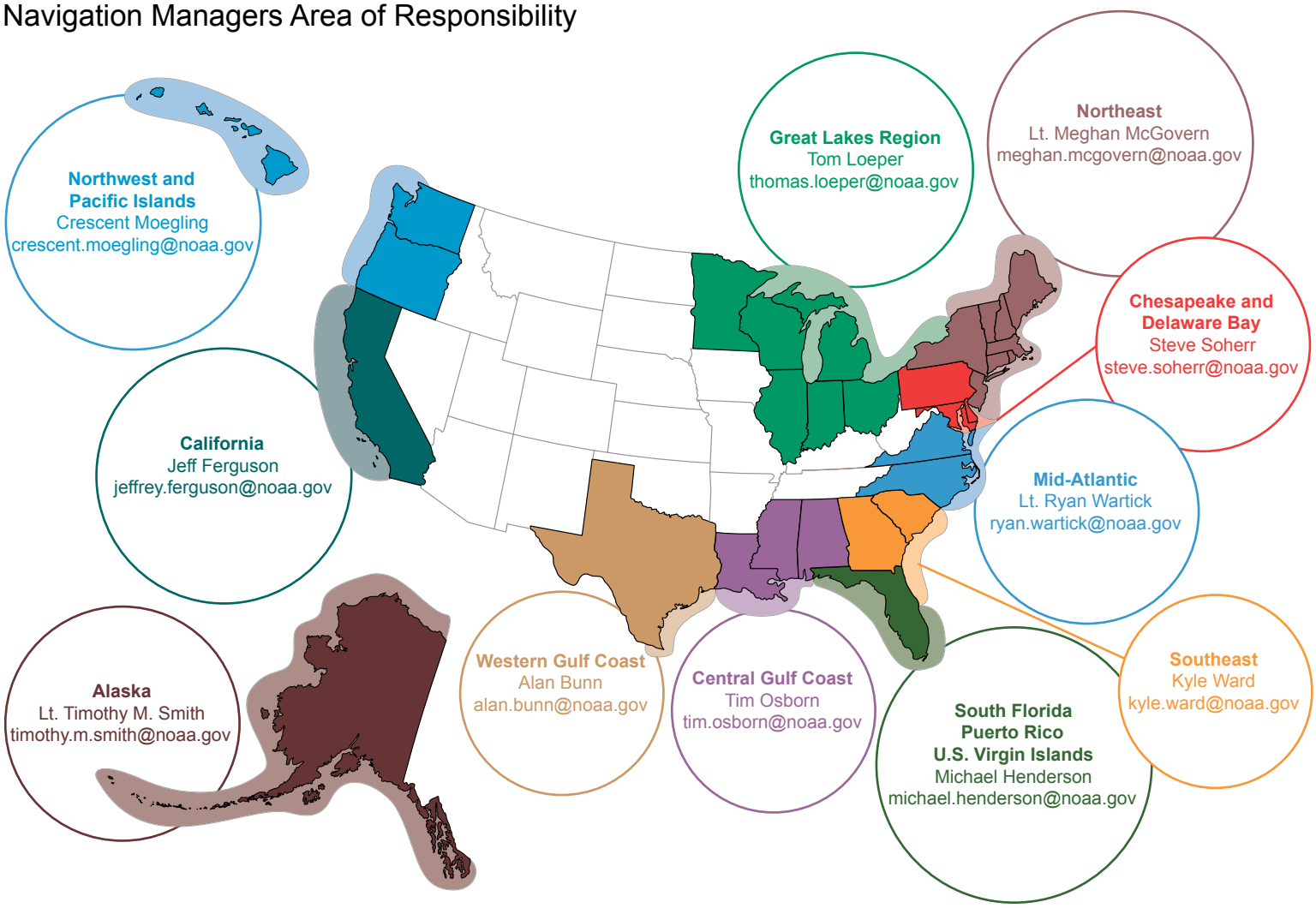

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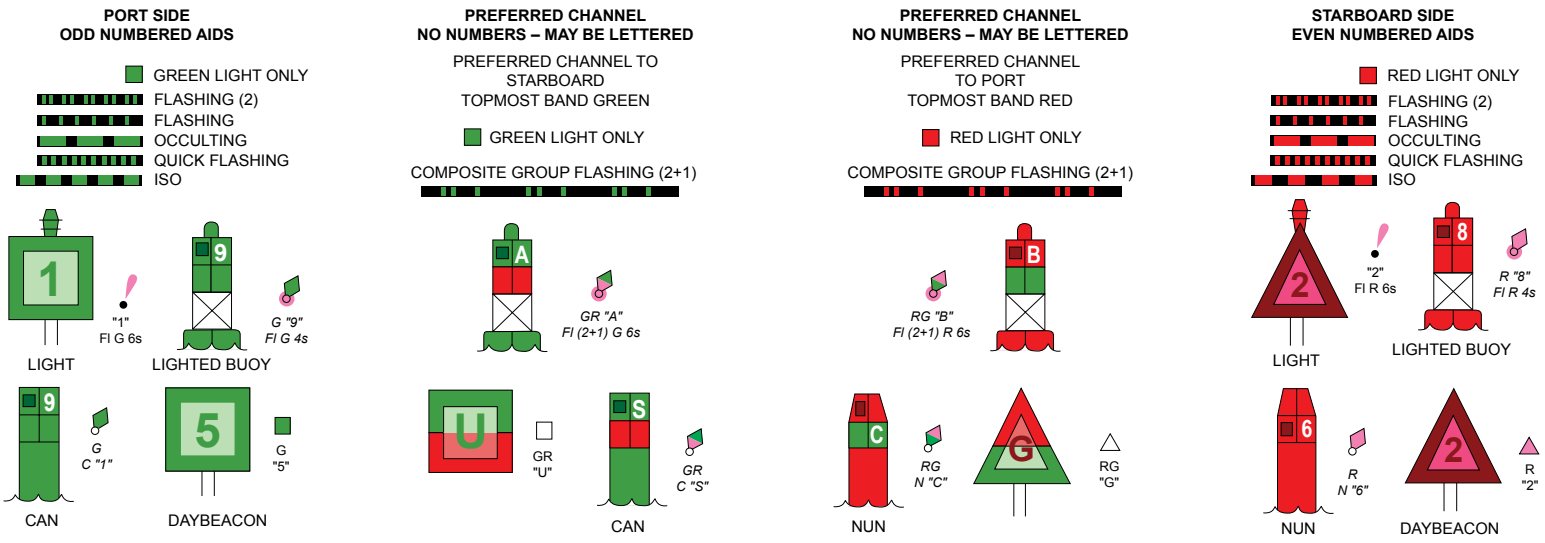

For more information on aids to navigation, including those on Western Rivers, please consult the latest USCG Light List for your area. These volumes are available online at *http://www.navcen.uscg.gov*

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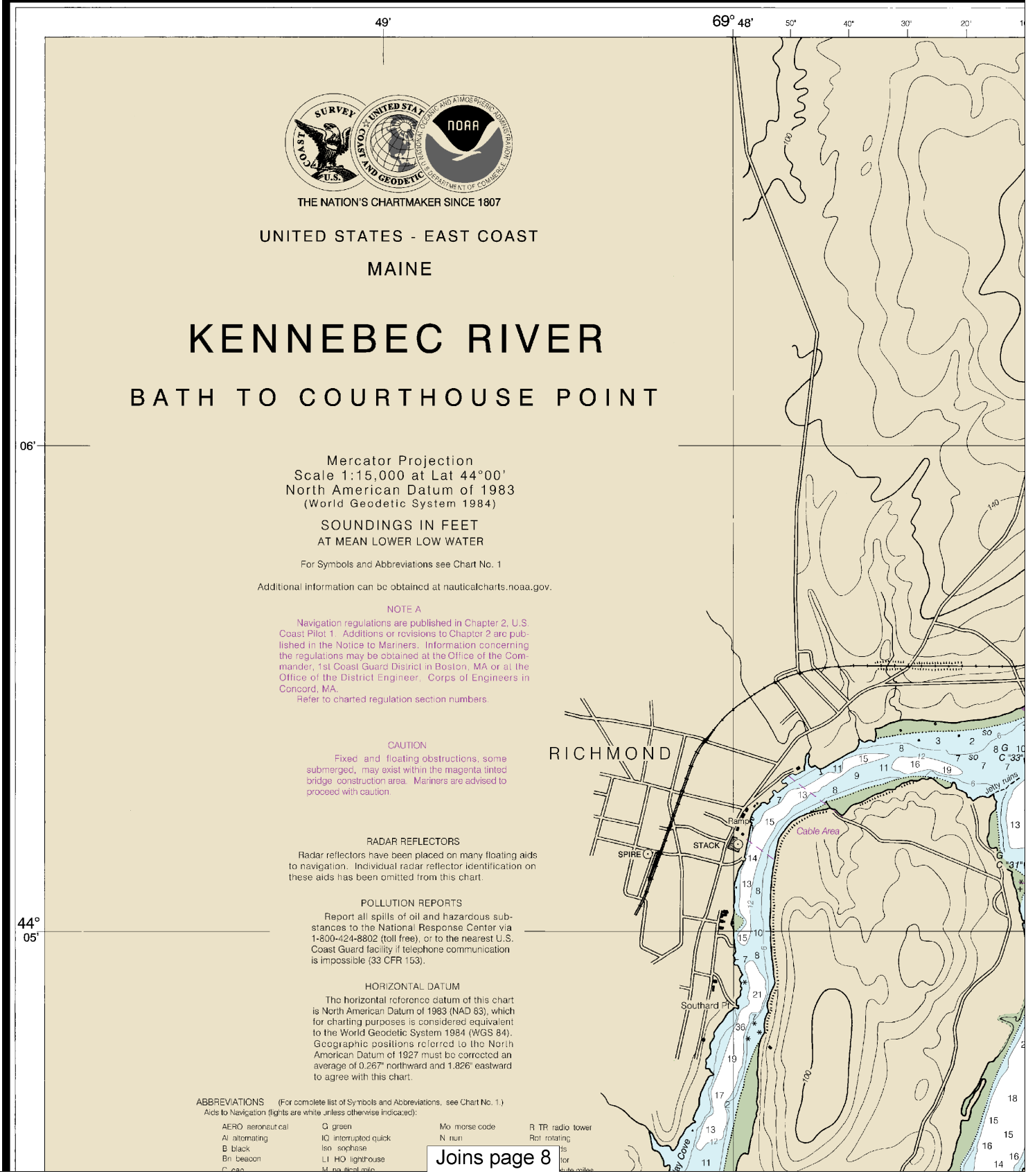

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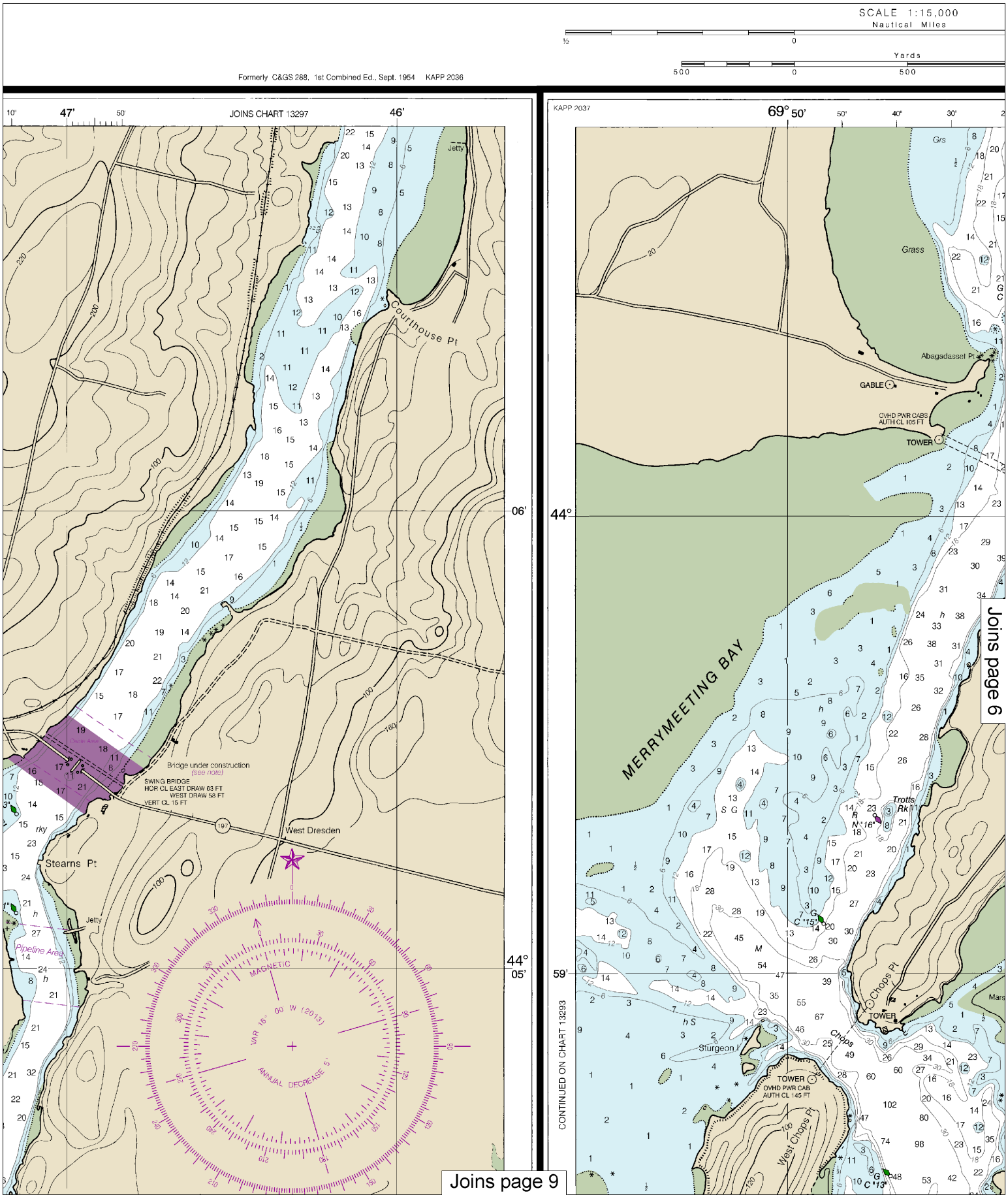

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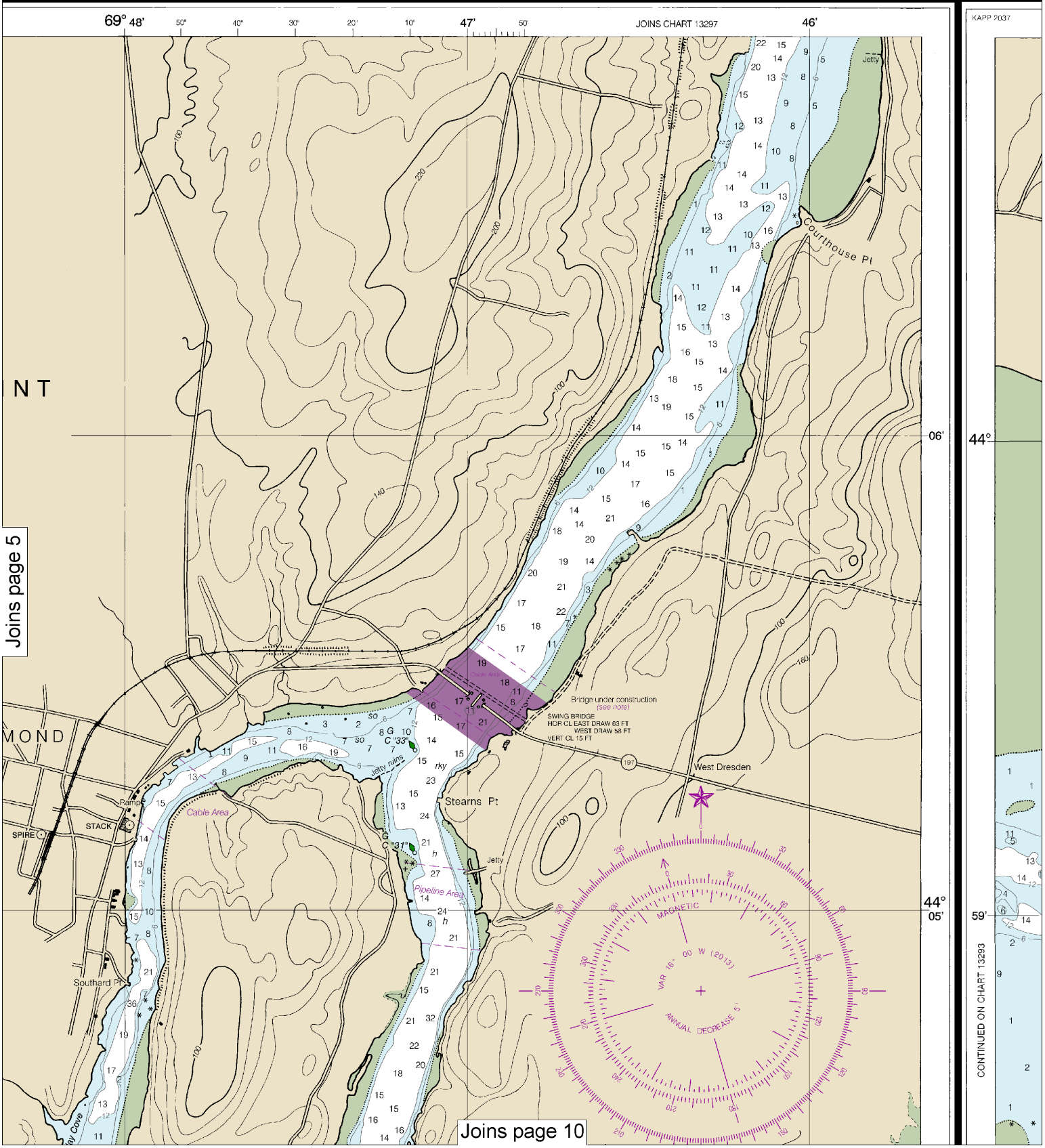

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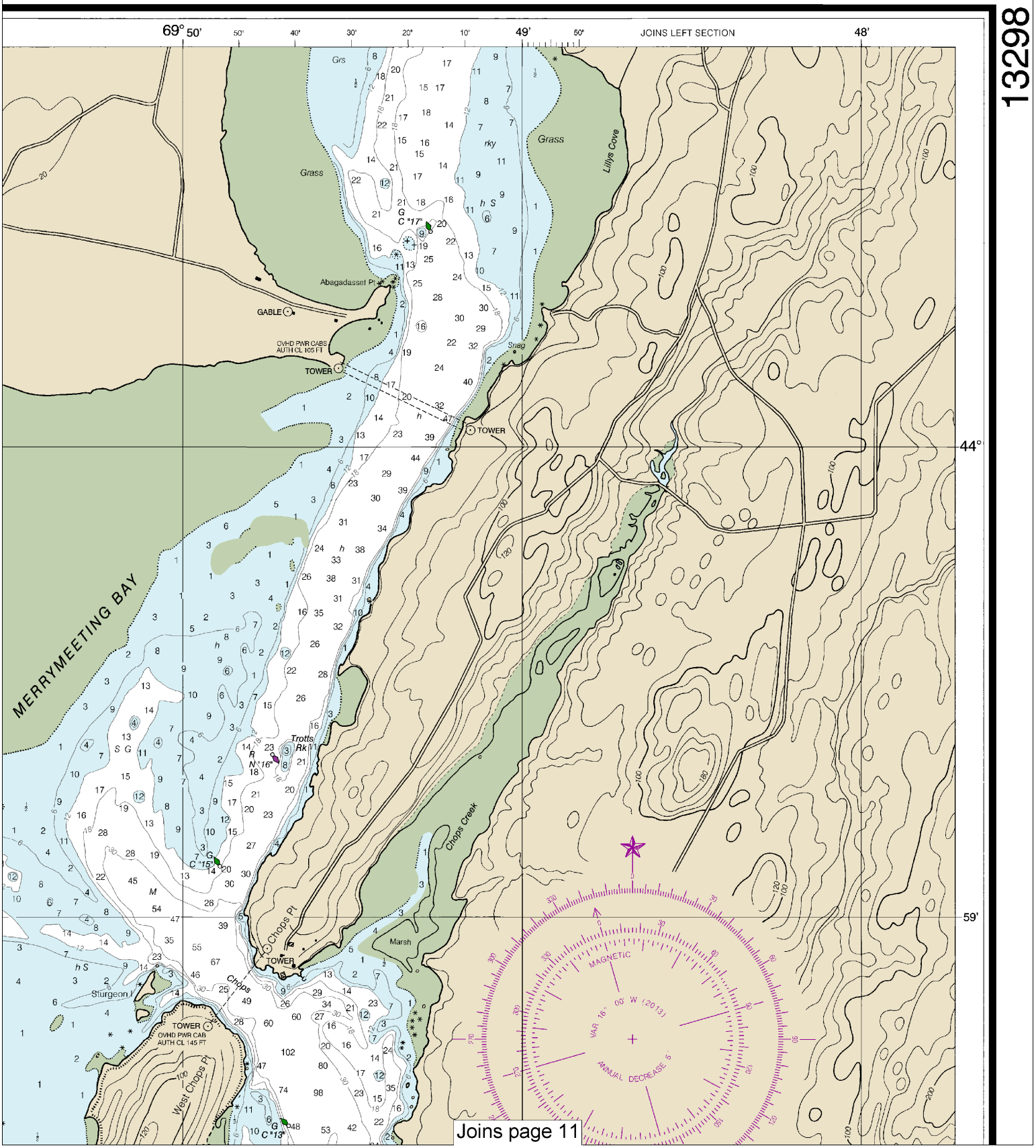
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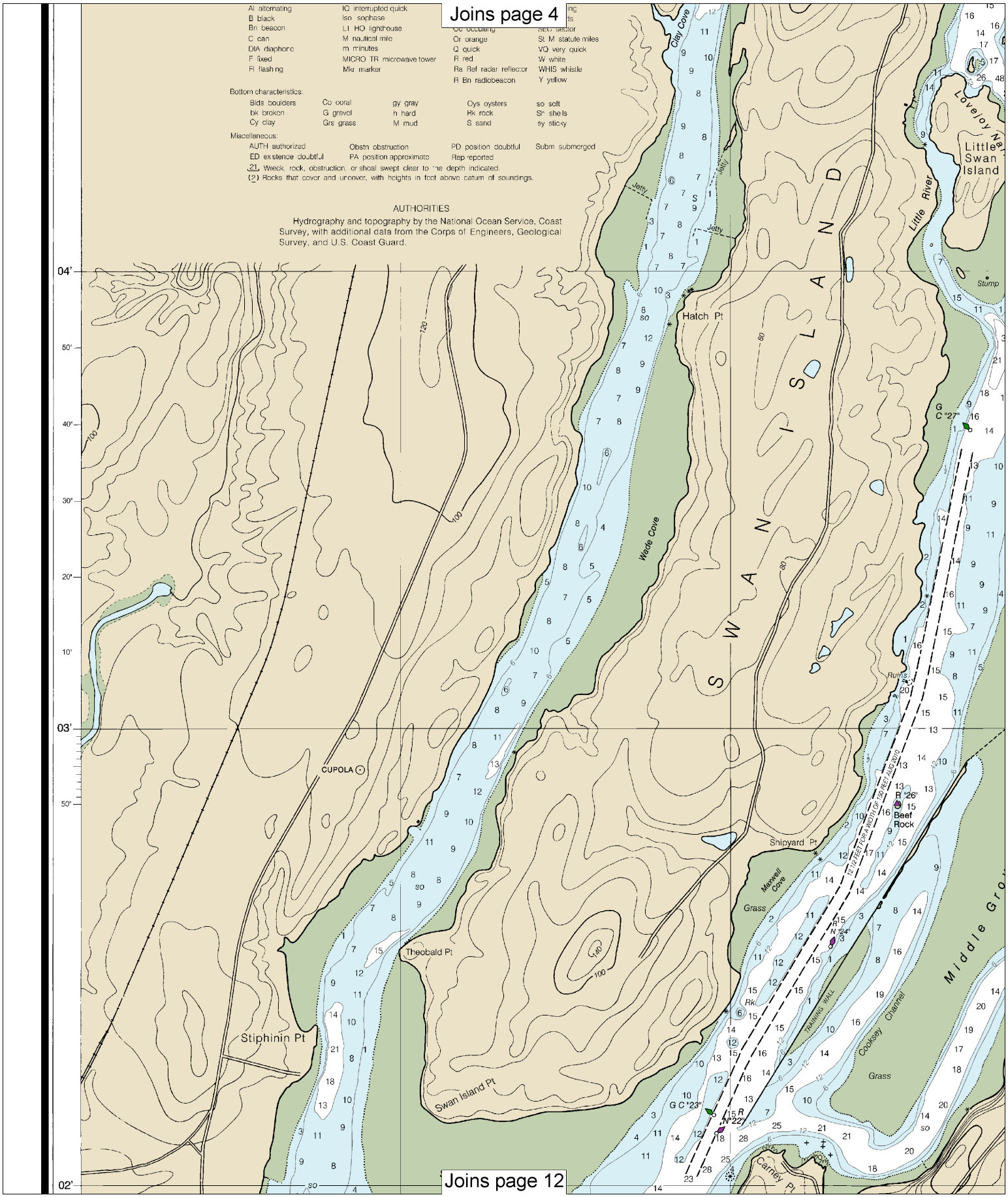

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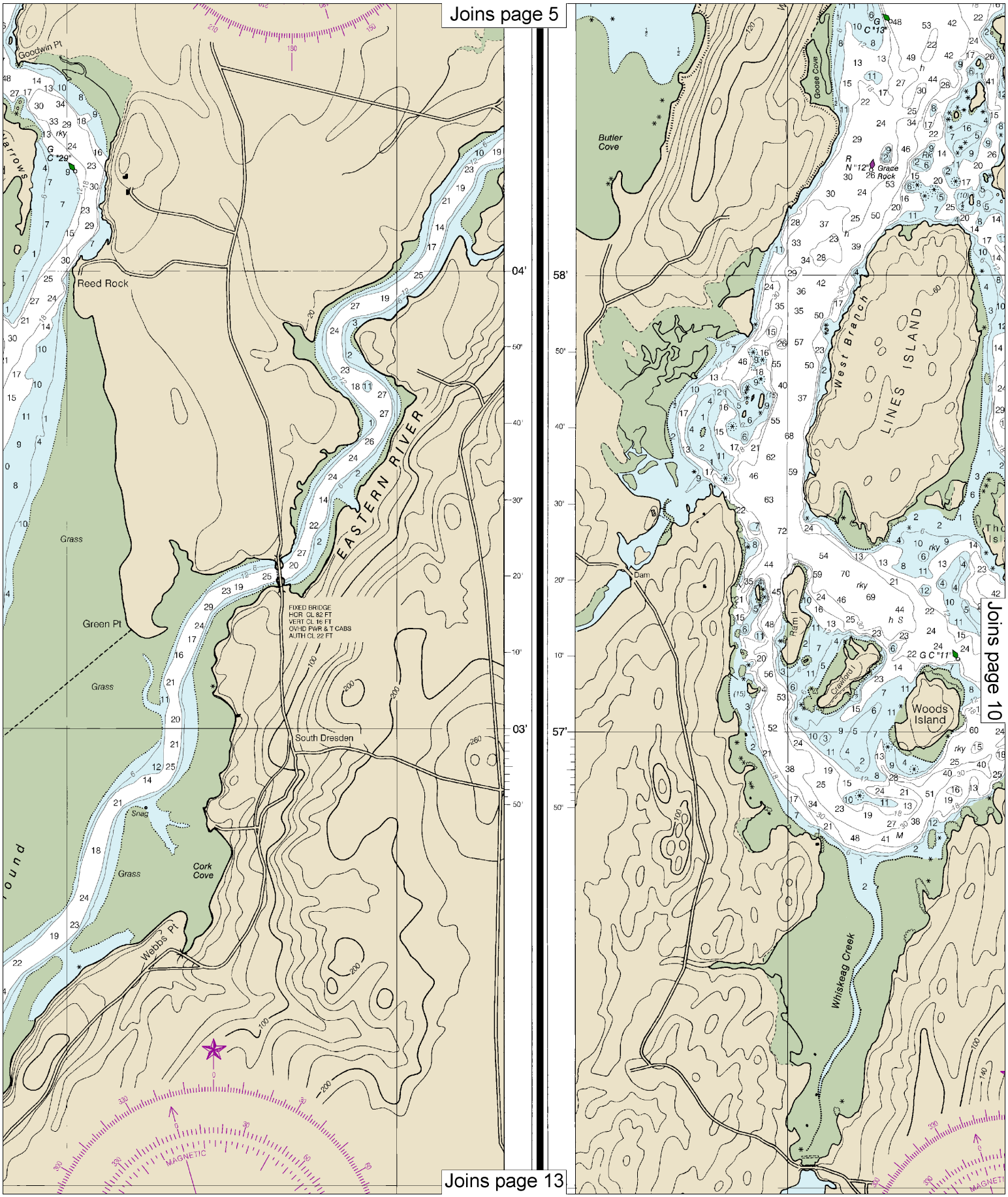
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Grace Rock
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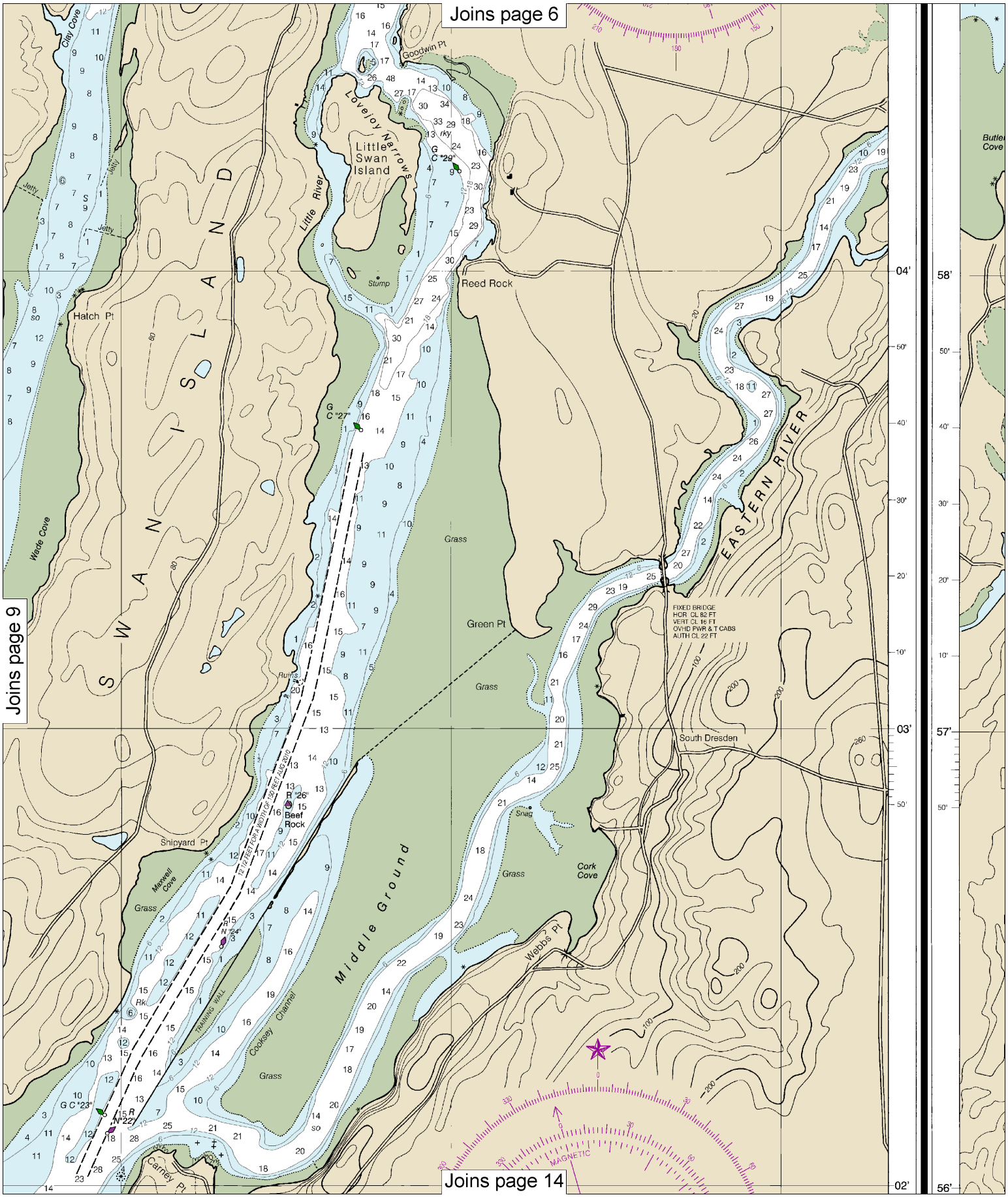

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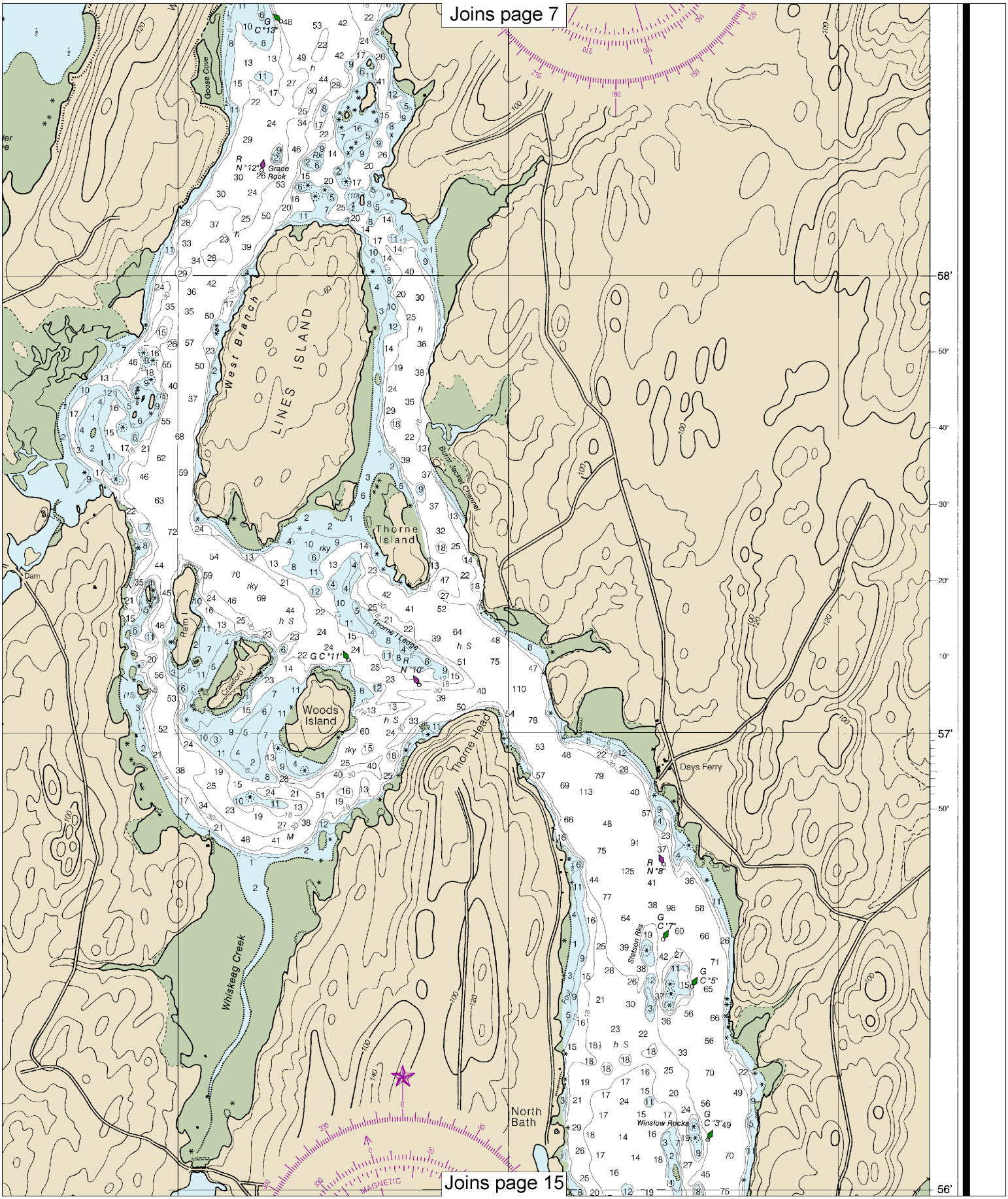
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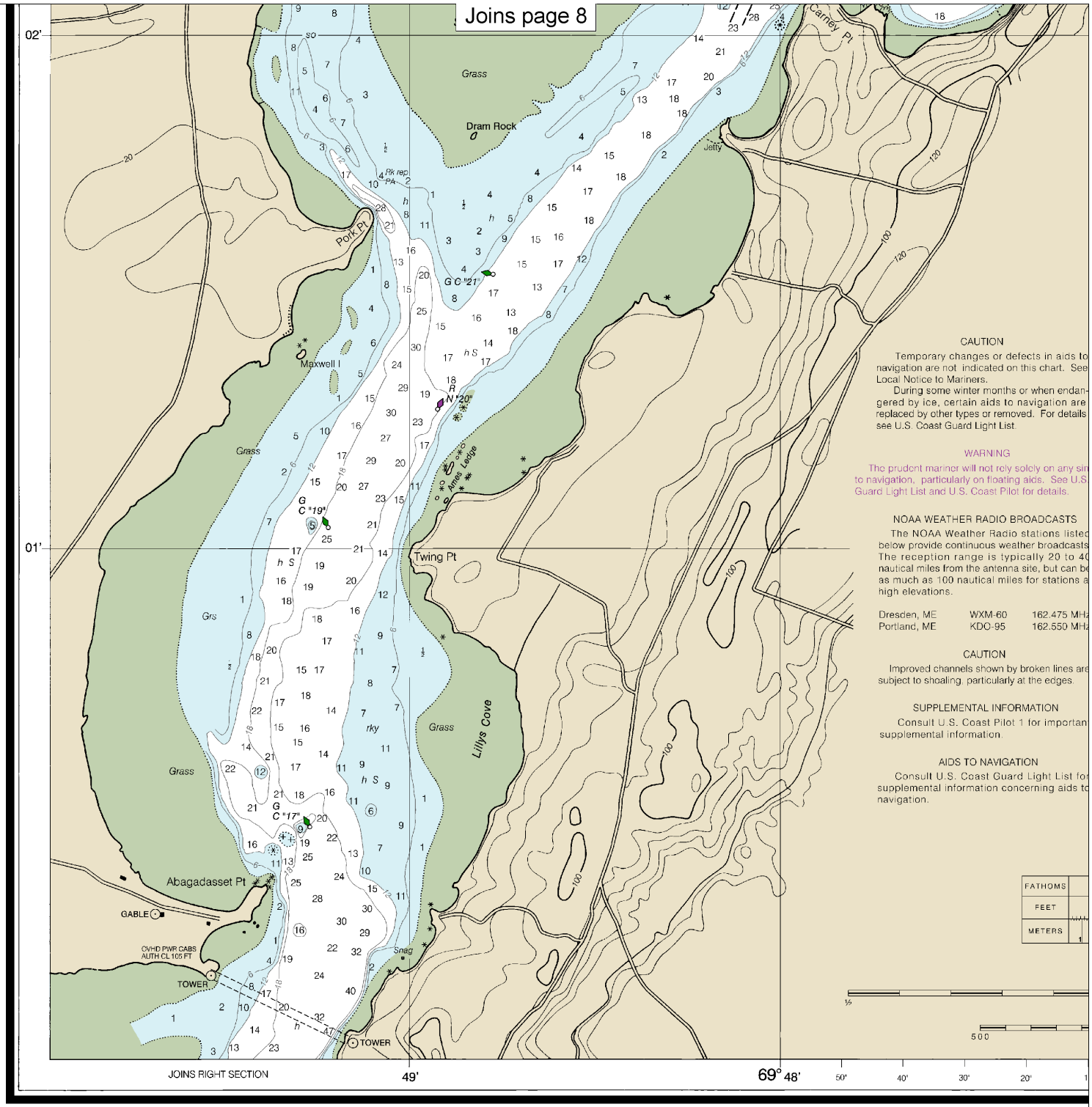

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CAUTION
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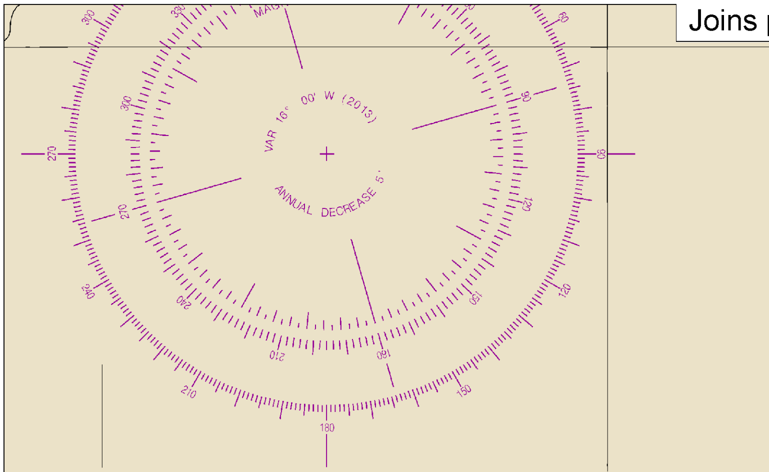

TIDAL INFORMATION

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Heights in feet above Mean High Water.

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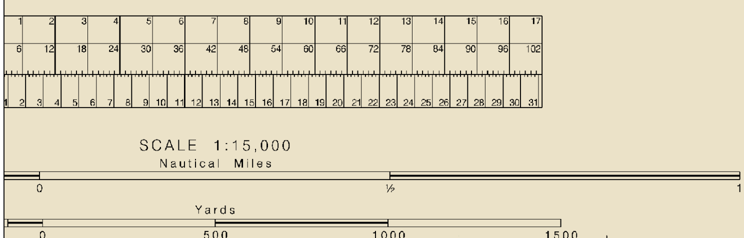

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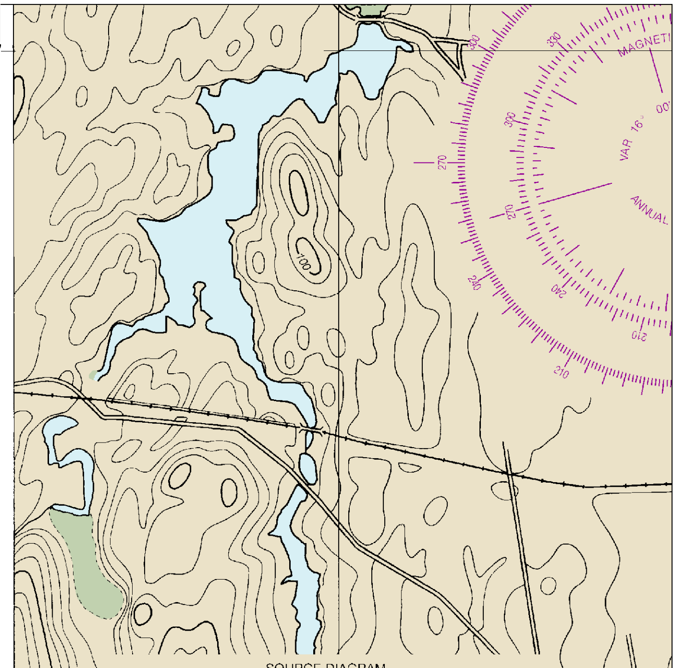

SOURCE DIAGRAM

The outlined areas represent the limits of the most recent hydrographic survey information that has been evaluated for charting. Surveys have been banded in this diagram by date and type of survey. Channels maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are periodically resurveyed and are not shown on this diagram. Refer to Chapter 1, United States Coast Pilot.

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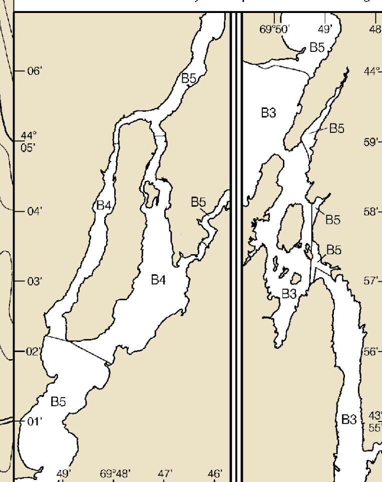

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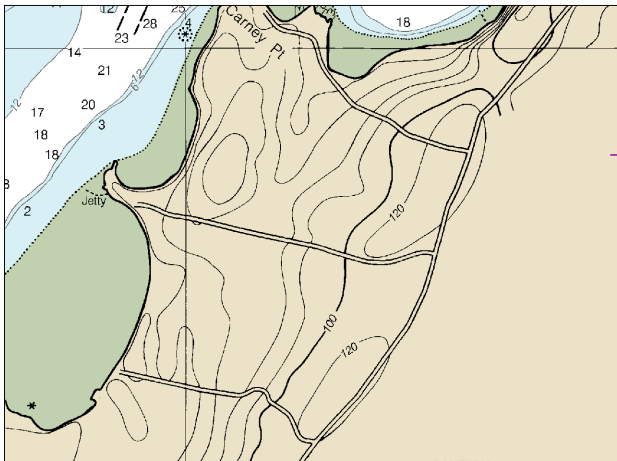

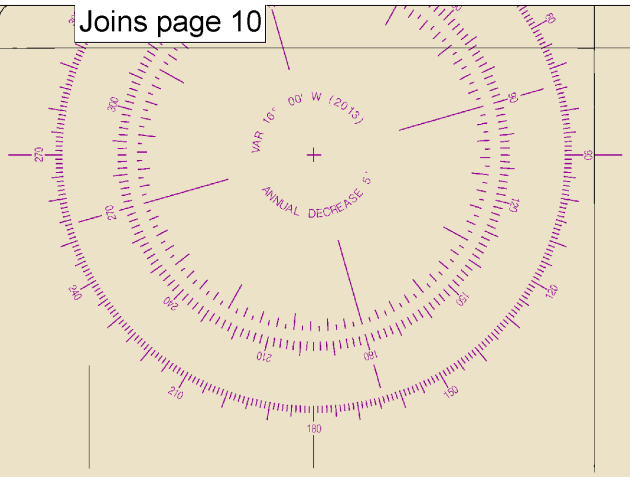

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Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Local Notice to Mariners.

During some winter months or when endangered by ice, certain aids to navigation are replaced by other types or removed. For details see U.S. Coast Guard Light List.

WARNING

The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

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Improved channels shown by broken lines are subject to shoaling, particularly at the edges.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Consult U.S. Coast Pilot 1 for important supplemental information.

AIDS TO NAVIGATION

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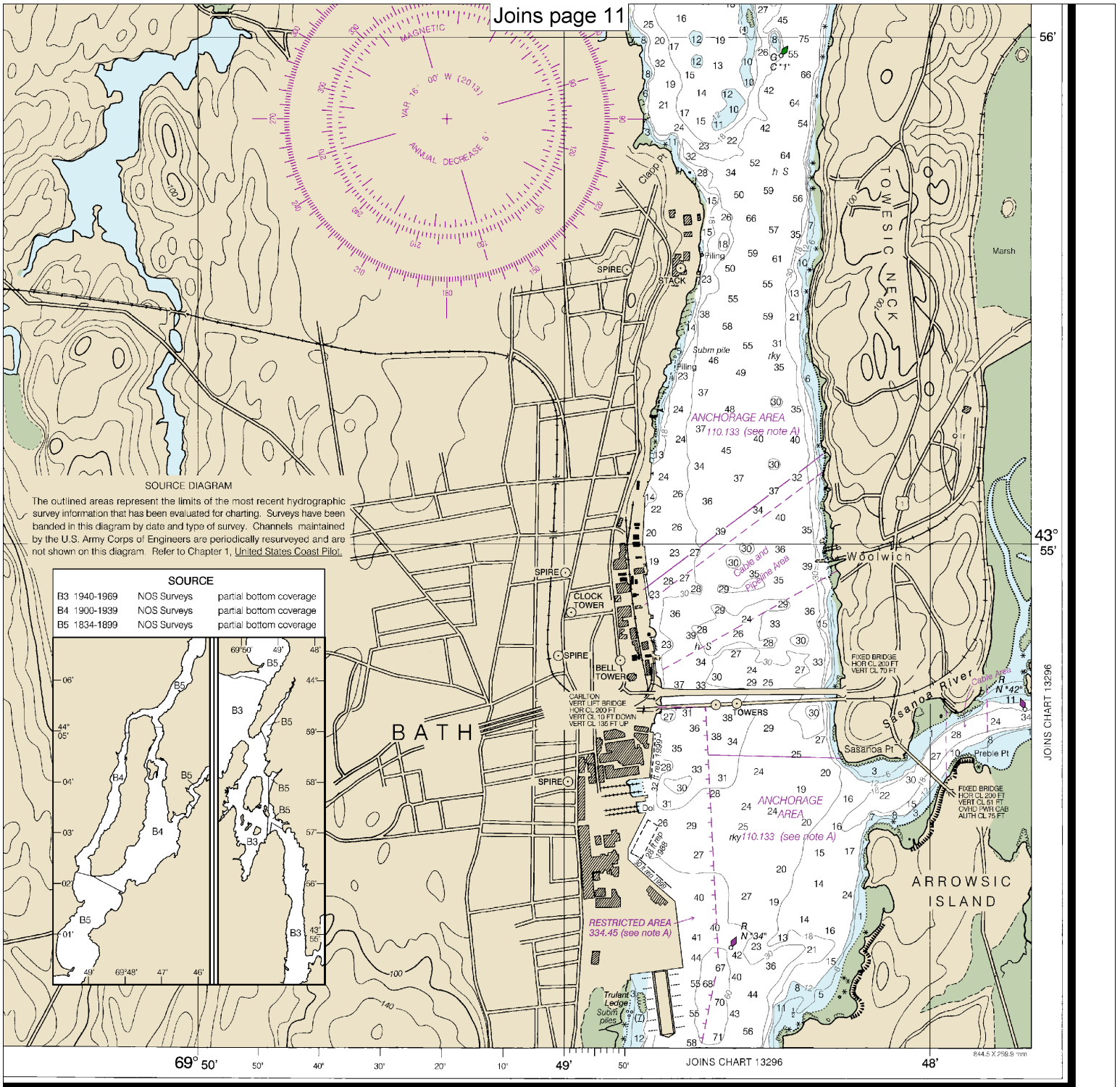

SOUNDINGS IN FEET

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EMERGENCY INFORMATION

VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

Channel 6 – Inter-ship safety communications.
Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.
Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.
Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.
Channel 22A – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here.
Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 and 78A – Recreational boat channels.

Getting and Giving Help — Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

Distress Call Procedures

- Make sure radio is on.
- Select Channel 16.
- Press/Hold the transmit button.
- Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
- Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds — If no response Repeat MAYDAY call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS!

All Hazards NOAA Weather Radio NOAA's National Weather Service

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